

## On Post

## Free baby layettes

Families who have had children since being deployed to Iraq, or have had them since their return, are eligible to receive a free layette offered by Spencer's Children's Clothing Company, Inc.

For specific guidelines and applications, contact the American Red Cross office at 767-2197.

## Army One Source

Telephone counseling service is available for personal support and referrals to military and community resources.

For more information visit <http://www.army-onesource.com>. User ID Army password is "Onesource" or call 1-800-464-8107.

## Home Business

Military spouses and retirees are needed as childcare providers in counties surrounding Fort Stewart and Hunter. If you like children, why not start your small business. Free training and assistance provided.

## Resume Writing

A workshop is scheduled for Tuesday, 9:30 a.m., ACS Bldg. 253. For more information call 767-5058.

## Bible Study

Two Protestant bible studies are being offered to Soldiers and family members at Fort Stewart.

The Working Women Bible for Protestant Women of the Chapel will be held Wednesdays 7 to 8 p.m. at Marne Chapel.

The bible study is geared for working wives or Soldiers. Come and join the fun. The Protestant women of the Chapel will meet Tuesdays 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. at Vale Chapel

Every Tuesday deepen your relationship with the Lord while enjoying fellowship with other wives.

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## Stars &amp; Stripes

Griesheim, Germany — Stars and Stripes has launched a promotion offering a chance for the military and civilian communities to send holiday wishes to the men and women serving in support of OIF this holiday season. A special Holiday Greetings section in the Middle East Edition allowing people from around the globe to send their best wishes to those deployed to the Middle East — for free!

•Option 1 allows up to a 10 line message for free  
•Option 2 allows the sender to add a photo or image of their choice to their message; these larger 2.5" wide x 3" deep ads are only \$49.00To place a greeting, simply visit the Stars and Stripes website at [www.stripes.com](http://www.stripes.com) and click on the "Holiday Greetings" image button. Space is limited so act today! Messages must be received no later than Nov. 29.

To publish a brief in The Frontline, call 767-3440 or fax us at 767-9366. Deadline for briefs is Friday at noon.

## Diamond Elementary performance thanks Soldiers past, present

Spc. Robert Adams

50th PAD

Diamond Elementary fifth graders put on a Veteran's Day Celebration for the school and parents Nov. 10.

The students sang eight songs and guest speaker retired Command Sgt. Maj. Doug Delzeith commented on how it felt to be a veteran.

"Compare being a veteran to being on a professional sports team," Delzeith told the school. "When I was in the Army, they gave me the very best training and equipment to get the mission done. Now being out, I can still see my favorite team perform."

Throughout the performance the students sang eight patriotic songs thanking veterans that have served and continue to serve in the military.

"Our opening song salutes this awesome country, America," said Joseph Fuentes-Bone, fifth grade student. "We are a place of courage and honor we are a nation of pride and liberty. 'This is



Spc. Robert Adams

Dolly Vail, Diamond Elementary School music teacher, conducts Diamond fifth graders during their Veteran's Day Celebration performance Nov. 10 at the school's gym.

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## Starbucks, Red Cross 'bring a bit of home' to overseas troops

Gerry J. Gilmore

American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON — The coffee giant Starbucks and the American Red Cross are teaming up to deliver hot java to U.S. servicemembers serving overseas in the war against global terrorism.

Starbucks Chief Executive Officer Jim Donald said during a Capitol Hill press conference Nov. 9 in the office of U.S. Rep. Norm Dicks that his company would provide 50,000 pounds of free, whole-bean coffee that will be brewed and distributed by Red Cross workers to troops serving in Kuwait, Afghanistan and Iraq.

"It's important that we show the support — and we have shown support — for our troops overseas," Donald explained. In fact, he said, Starbucks, headquartered in Seattle, has 80 employees in the military now deployed in Iraq and Afghanistan.

And many of Starbuck's 85,000 employees, Donald pointed out, have friends and family members serving overseas in the military.

Starbuck's partnership with the Red Cross, he noted, "is just a way of reaching into the community and supporting troops from all over the U.S."

Starbucks will ship the coffee to overseas locations as directed by the Red Cross, noted Alan McCurry, chief operating officer for the American Red Cross.

"We will make coffee and distribute it," McCurry explained, noting that the Red Cross will also ensure that forward-deployed ground troops will get their share.

The Starbucks-Red Cross coffee distribution partnership will boost military morale, McCurry predicted, while bringing "a little bit of home to the troops."

McCurry estimated that coffee shipment to overseas troops should begin in about three or four weeks, in time for the holiday season.

Dicks, who represents Washington state's 6th District, said many employees at Starbucks stores across the country had already been sending "care packages" of free coffee to

U.S. troops in Iraq, Afghanistan and Kuwait.

According to Starbucks officials, local company representatives recently donated 10 gallons of freshly brewed coffee and pastries to support a family support group event held at Fort Sheridan, Ill., near Chicago.

Other Starbucks employees from 90 stores in the northeastern United States, including New Jersey and Philadelphia, donated their free weekly coffee allotment — totaling 2,000 pounds — to U.S. servicemembers serving overseas. Federal Express shipped the coffee for free to Ramstein Air Base, Germany, where it was then distributed to troops in the Balkans and the Middle East.

And the daughter of a Starbuck's store manager in Newark, N.J., who was corresponding with reservists from Morristown serving in Iraq, played a role in ensuring they received free Starbucks coffee. The soldiers forwarded a letter of thanks, noting the coffee reminded them of home.

At a recent meeting featuring representatives from about 100 Starbucks stores in northern Ohio and Michigan, store managers and partners collected more than 500 pounds of coffee that was then shipped to American soldiers in Iraq.

In Texas, the Rangers baseball team and north Texas Starbucks stores recently teamed up to send coffee and Rangers' teddy bears to troops serving in Iraq.

A Starbucks customer with a son serving with a Maryland National Guard unit in Iraq complimented Starbucks stores in Arlington, Va., for donating free coffee to troops serving in Iraq, noting the company "is doing a great job supporting our (military) men and women."

Now Starbucks' corporate headquarters in Seattle wants to "do something of significance" to support the troops, Dicks noted.

Washington State, Dicks pointed out, is home to several military facilities, including Fort Lewis,

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## CFC seeking to raise funds for Soldier services

Steven Field

Army News Service

WASHINGTON — There is still time for Soldiers and Army civilians to donate to the Combined Federal Campaign, the largest workplace charity drive in the country.

The CFC, which is authorized to solicit contributions from government employees and military personnel for thousands of federally qualifying charities, is accepting donations until Dec. 15, said Mike Ornstein, spokesman for the federal government's Office of Personnel and Management, which oversees the CFC.

CFC officials say that last year the campaign collected nearly \$250 million, breaking its fundraising record. They hope to achieve a new high in donations this year.

"Over the past couple of years, national attention has focused on worldwide events. Even with that, federal employees and men and women in uniform have responded generously," Ornstein said.

Donors to the CFC are allowed to select what organization they want the money to go to. This ensures that the donation goes to the needs the donor feels is most important, according to CFC publications.

There are over 1,400 national and international charities, as well as around 40,000 local charities that receive donations through the CFC. These charities range from military, veteran and patriotic organizations to human and civil rights organizations to environmental organizations to religious

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## WHAT YOUR DONATIONS CAN DO

For \$10 per pay period, you've got the power to:

- Help environmental advocates in Nepal draft that country's first standards for water and air quality
- Improve Medicare coverage for 50 low-income elderly people
- Provide 18 hours of training in leadership, conflict resolution, cross-cultural sensitivity, and community organizing for a teenager
- Provide school supplies, food, and medical care for AIDS orphans in Africa
- Provide two hearing aids for low income, hearing-impaired people this year
- Support a mobile clinic in remote rural area for an entire day
- Provide a student with lunch at school each day
- Bring a waiting American child together with a loving, lifetime adoptive family

For \$15 per pay period, you've got the power to:

- Save the life of an abused child
  - Provide a homebound AIDS patient with groceries for a full year
  - Buy a hungry preschooler who lives in the slums of Bombay can receive an education and a nutritious meal at our daycare center
  - Open a student's eyes to the conditions of the world's poor through a short-term mission trip
  - Provide a solar energy system for an entire village
  - Help efforts to configure compounds so that the children can take medicines orally as opposed to injection
  - Provide a scholarship for an underprivileged person to travel to Central America or Haiti to document and witness human rights abuses, then return to the US to work for change
  - Make and sustain one school-based mentoring match for an at risk youth
- \*Data from the Combined Federal Campaign of the National Capital Area ([www.cfcnc.org](http://www.cfcnc.org))





Photos by R. James Piper

Soldiers and family members sing "God Bless America" during the candlelight service during the Soldier and Family Day with God Sunday.

# 40 Soldiers commissioned as Catholic reps

Sgt. R. James Piper  
Editor

About 40 Soldiers from the 3rd Infantry Division were commissioned Sunday as Catholic representatives after a mass at the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist in Savannah, Ga.

Chief Warrant Officer 3 Ben Perez, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion, 3rd Aviation Regiment, was one of the many Soldiers commissioned Sunday and said it felt good because it is a calling from God.

"I'm allowed to serve my country while in uniform and also able to serve God and help my fellow Catholic Soldiers," Perez said.

According to Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Joseph Hannon, Garrison Catholic chaplain, there will be only two priests deploying with the division. With 4,000 Catholic chaplains, the priests may not be able to make it to every unit to conduct mass.

The representatives are able to aid the priests in conducting

services, and if no priest is available, conduct a simple service, consisting of Sunday scriptures and communion.

Perez explained that it's been his experience that as Soldiers deploy, they become more spiritual.

"We'll be there to aid the priests and help Soldiers meet their spiritual needs," he said.

The goal is to have about 15 representatives for each brigade.

The commissioning and the mass was part of the Family Day with God event sponsored by chaplains in the Division.

"The idea of the day is to have worship, fellowship and prayer ... and to build a memory that will stay with Soldiers and families and help sustain them through the year-long deployment," said Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Joseph Hannon, garrison Catholic chaplain.

The mass that began the event was presided over by Bishop John Kaising, the auxiliary bishop of the Archdiocese for the Military Services.

Following the mass, a reception was held to give Soldiers and families a chance to relax, while several events were held for children.

A youth event featured Sara Hart, a singer, songwriter and youth minister from Nashville, Tenn. The Kids Korner held a variety of activities for younger children and featured clowns, magicians, animal balloons, face painting and games.

"This is a good chance for people to relax and enjoy themselves," Hannon said. "It helps to relieve the pressures from work and home."

The day's events culminated with a candlelight prayer service in Madison Square, where the Soldiers filed out of the Desoto Hilton to say a prayer to guide them.

"Many of the Soldiers and family members will keep the candle with them while they are apart and burn it on holidays, birthdays and special occasions," Hannon said. "While it burns, they will be thinking of their loved ones."



Merry Heart from Kingdom Karacters drops a bit of color into an audience members hand during her act as part of the Kids Korner.



Attendees walk from the Desoto Hilton to Madison during the ceremony.



Standard items that the Catholic Representatives will have to conduct services.



Children feel the beat as they go through the steps of "Tony Chestnut."



# STUDENTS

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America.”

The next song ‘You are Our Heroes’ thanked Soldiers for everything they do.

“For the veterans of our country, every day means choosing to serve others,” said Joshua Oglesby, fifth grade student. “This Veteran’s Day we want to be sure to say thank you.”

Next on the list was ‘This Land is Your Land’ which tells the story of what it means to be an American.

The fourth song “Thinking of You” was sung to let Soldiers know how special they are even when they are away.

“When our parents and friends are away from home serving our country, we miss them very much,” said Rhett Michell, fifth grade student.

The students opened up the second half of their performance with ‘You’re a Grand Old Flag,’ which led the whole audience to start clapping.

The audience quickly calmed down though during the next song, ‘A Song of Peace’ which brought the happy mood to a serious one.

“We love America,” said Zam Jackson, fifth grade student. “And if we could have one wish for America, we would wish for peace.”

The students next sang ‘Thankful for the USA’ which led into their closing song, ‘America the Beautiful.’

During ‘America the beautiful’ the students raised and lowered colorful flags and stars to add to the music.

“I thought the performance went well and the children learned a lot from the experience,” said Dolly Vail, Diamond Elementary School teacher who directed the performance.

Natarsha Baker said, “The children took ownership of the program because their parents and relatives are in the military.”



Spc. Robert Adams

Diamond Elementary fifth graders get the audience involved in the celebration by enticing them to whistle.

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and cultural organizations.

A number of military-support organizations are eligible for — and to a large degree depend on — funding from the CFC.

Internal Army efforts, including many Army Community Service programs, as well as external support efforts, such as the Fisher House program and the Disabled American Veterans Charitable Service Trust, all receive funding from CFC.

“CFC is my whole (non-appropriated fund) budget for 10 months out of the year,” said Colleen Tuddenham, Chief of Army Community Service at Fort Myer, referring to funds the organization needs to function that are not provided by Congress. The funds donated through CFC help provide childcare, emergency food and volunteer recognition programs, among other things, Tuddenham said.

Without ACS, “all of these things we do just wouldn’t happen,” she said.

To receive CFC funds, organizations must meet strict standards — they must have tax-exempt non-profit status; they must provide service, benefits or assistance to activities that promote human well-being; they must spend no more than 25 percent of their revenue on fundraising; and they must not disclose the names of CFC contributors, among other rules.

“People who donate feel like they made a difference,” Tuddenham said. “It helps the people giving and receiving.”

For more information, visit the official CFC homepage at [www.omp.gov/cfc](http://www.omp.gov/cfc) or CFC Today, an organization of CFC recipients at [www.cfctoday.org](http://www.cfctoday.org).

**Editor’s note:** *Fort Stewart exceeded it’sgoal of \$378,000. As of Nov. 8 it is currently at \$391,761.*

# STARBUCKS

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where U.S. Army soldiers train with the transformational Stryker vehicle.

The congressman said he appreciates the difficult work performed by U.S. servicemembers deployed overseas in the war against global terrorism, noting they "are doing a great job for our country."

"We hope that having these 50,000 pounds of coffee will make life a little better" for deployed servicemembers, the congressman remarked, noting that he wishes them success in their missions and that they safely return home to their families.

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

Home marriage test provides valuable lessons

Ret. Chaplain (Capt.)  
Gene Thomas Gomulka

Guest Editorial

Soldiers need to believe in the mission. During my 24 year career as a military chaplain, I discovered that the majority of the cases that I and other chaplains had to address dealt with relationship issues. Not only do these problems account for our high military divorce rates, but so too are abuse and suicide rates linked to problems in relationships.

In so far as many people in the military are hesitant to seek professional help in regard to relationship problems (unless forced to do so when the command becomes involved), I developed marriage preparation and enrichment materials that could be used by couples in the privacy of their homes. I field tested these materials and sought critiques from hundreds of couples, chaplains and counselors to maximize their effectiveness.

After reviewing my writings, one Army supervisory counselor recently wrote: "Maintaining the readiness of Soldiers and their families is critical to the military's efforts to sustain the global war on terrorism. In these times of longer and more frequent deployments, stress within military families is increasing across all of the services and their components. Books like yours are great tools to help mitigate some of these issues."

An executive officer assigned to a major basic training command also remarked, "The lessons contained within the covers of this book may save countless hours of counseling, countless dollars in lost productivity, countless phone calls to the command in the middle of the night, and countless hopes shattered by people who marry for the wrong reasons."

On one occasion, after offering training to a group of some 300 enlisted personnel in the base theater, I was approached by a 24-year-old staff sergeant who told me that he used my materials that I had given him and his girl friend when he was 18 years old and stationed overseas in Italy. Now, happily married and blessed with two children, he told me that he was deeply appreciative of the Marriage and Military Life questionnaire I authored that helped him and his wife develop the strong and loving relationship they now enjoy. His comments, as well as those of others, encouraged me to complement the questionnaire by publishing "The Survival Guide for Marriage in the Military."

Some people have referred to this book as the "home marriage test." Hence, just like women can take a home pregnancy test today and get the results in the privacy of their homes without making appointments to meet with health professionals, so too can military couples, with the help of "The Survival Guide for Marriage in the Military," discover strengths and weaknesses in their relationship and work together to achieve deeper emotional and sexual intimacy in their lives. In cases where they are not able to resolve certain differences even after reading the "reflections" provided in the survival guide, they are then encouraged to seek professional help lest minor problems become more serious and threaten their relationship.

If you are dating, married or even divorced, and would like to enhance and strengthen your relationship with someone very special in your life, you may wish to visit [www.plaintec.net](http://www.plaintec.net) and learn what a number of couples, chaplains, counselors and military leaders have to say about "The Survival Guide for Marriage in the Military."

PET OF THE WEEK

Huey, Dewey and Louie, are three domesticated long-haired kittens, 6 to 8-weeks-old. These adorable little kittens would make excellent pets for any household.

If you are interested in adopting a pet like Huey, Dewey, and Louie for your home, call the Fort Stewart Veterinary Clinic at 767-2842. The clinic is located on W. Bultman Avenue.



Worship Opportunities

Fort Stewart

Catholic	Location	Time
Sunday Mass	Heritage	9 a.m.
Saturday Mass	Heritage	5 p.m.
Weekday Mass	Victory	11:45 a.m.

Protestant		
Sunday Protestant Worship	Marne	11 a.m.
Sunday Gospel Service	Victory	11 a.m.
Sunday Family Friendly	Vale	11 a.m.
Tuesday Healing Service	WACH	11:30 a.m.
Sunday School	Diamond Elementary	9:30 a.m.

American Samoan		
Sunday Worship	Vale	1 p.m.
Muslim		
Friday Jum'ah	Building 610	12:30 p.m.
Masjid (Daily)	Building 610	9 a.m.

Lutheran		
Sunday Worship	Marne	9 a.m.

Jewish		
Friday Services	Marne	6 p.m.

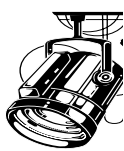
Hunter Army Airfield

Protestant		
Protestant Sunday School	Religious Education Center	9:30 a.m.
Sunday Service	Chapel	11 a.m.

Catholic		
Sunday Mass	Chapel	9:30 a.m.
CCD	Religious Education Center	11 a.m.



# Volunteer Spotlight



MARIA ADAMS



Maria, an El Paso, Texas, native, is an Information and Referral Assistant for Army Community Services.

“I like volunteering because it gives me an opportunity to meet new people, a sense of satisfaction to help others and to gain some work experience in a busy office,” she said.

If you would like more information about becoming an Army Community Service volunteer, contact Vickie Wiginton at 767-5058/5059. [Brigitte.Roberts@se.amedd.army.mil](mailto:Brigitte.Roberts@se.amedd.army.mil).



# WOODRUFF THEATER

Nov. 18 - 24



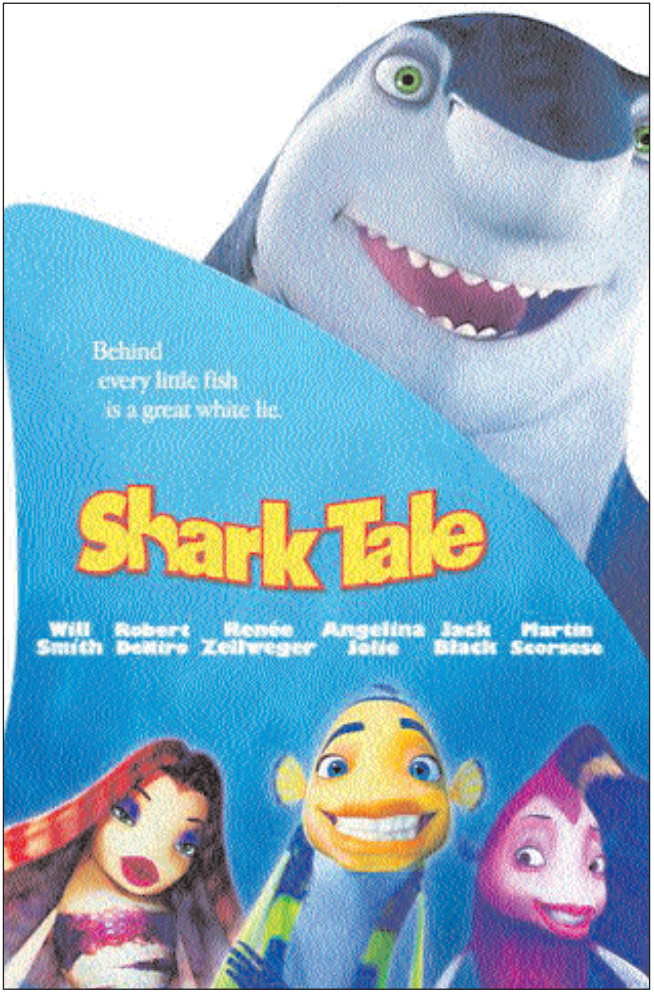
Friday, Saturday and Sunday admission is \$3.50 for adults, \$1.75 for children.  
**Monday throughThursday admission is \$1.75 for adults, \$1.25 for children.**

**Raise Your Voice (PG-13)**  
Starring: Hilary Duff, James Oliver  
Tonight at 7 p.m.  
A teenage girl is determined to follow her dream in music, after her brother is killed in an auto accident, and tries to keep her relationship with her father although he objects to her profession. **Run Time:** 103 minutes

**Shark Tale (PG)**  
Starring: Will Smith, Robert DeNiro  
Friday, Saturday and Sunday at 7 p.m.  
Oscar, a fast-talking fish, creates a big lie and becomes a hero. He keeps telling lies to cover his first one in order for everyone to still think he is the defender of the reef until it starts to threaten his life. **Run Time:** 90 minutes

**Friday Night Lights (PG-13)**  
Starring: Billy Bob Thornton, Lucas Black  
Monday and Tuesday at 7 p.m.  
This movie chronicles the entire 1988 season of the Permian High Panthers of Odessa, Texas, with football players, coaches, mothers, fathers, pastors, boosters, fans and families struggling with on-going personal conflicts while the team fights for state championship. **Run Time:** 117 minutes

**Taxi (PG-13)**  
Starring: Queen Latifah, Jimmy Fallon  
Thursday at 7 p.m.  
After a cop has a series of traffic accidents, he loses his license. While on duty he gets a call about a bank robbery but because he cannot drive he hails a taxi and gets his new partner, a cabbie with an attitude. **Run Time:** 97 minutes

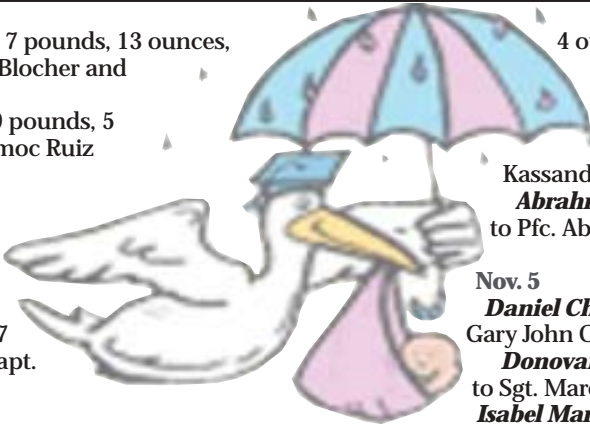


# Birth Announcements

Nov. 1  
**JGrace Lynn Blocher**, a girl, 7 pounds, 13 ounces, born to Spc. Matthew Joseph Blocher and Robin Renee Blocher.  
**Daniel James Ruiz**, a boy, 9 pounds, 5 ounces, born to Sgt. Cuauhtemoc Ruiz Cruz and Mercedes Ruiz.

Nov. 2  
**Ge'niah Claire Jean**, a girl, 6 pounds, 2 ounces, born to Sgt. Gerdine Pierre-Louis.  
**Bradley Owen Bair**, a boy, 7 pounds, 12 ounces, born to Capt. Brett Bair and Roberta Bair.

Nov. 3  
**Robert Alexander Weeks.**, a boy, 7 pounds, 11 ounces, born to Capt. Robert Jose Weeks and Mary Amanda Weeks.  
**Azra Custovic**, a girl, 7 pounds, 5 ounces, born to Sgt. Emir Custovic and Ines Custovic.  
**Lillian Nicole Moore**, a girl, 7 pounds, 7 ounces, born to Sgt. James Moore and Angela Moore.



**Desmond Alexander Jamal Halley**, a boy, 7 pounds, 4 ounces, born to Spc. Troy Halley and Tiffini Halley.

Nov. 4  
**Austin Garrett Ratliff**, a boy, 7 pounds, 12 ounces, born to Sgt. Caleb Nathaniel Ratliff and Kassandra Dara Ratliff.  
**Abrahm Daniel Jarriel, Jr.**, a boy, 7 pounds, 12 ounces, born to Pfc. Abrahm Daniel Jarriel, Sr., and Amy Michelle Jarriel.

Nov. 5  
**Daniel Chase Ortiz**, a boy, 8 pounds, 10 ounces, born to Pfc. Gary John Ortiz, Jr., and Megan Renee Ortiz.  
**Donovan Jamaal Mashack**, a boy, 8 pounds, 3 ounces, born to Sgt. Marcus Marvelle Mashack and Patricia Lopez Mashack.  
**Isabel Marie Caulford**, a girl, 7 pounds, 8 ounces, born to Robert L. Caulford and Staff Sgt. Maria D. Cauliford.

Nov. 6  
**Maya Amma Otchere**, a girl, 6 pounds, 12 ounces, born to Staff Sgt. Daniel Nana Otchere and Sgt. Khedra Nichelle Otchere.  
**John Rudy Pittman**, a boy, 8 pounds, 3 ounces, born to Staff Sgt. Jeremiah A. Pittman and Abigail Pittman.

# Commissary holiday hours

**Thanksgiving** — Open Nov. 22, closed Nov. 25 and Nov. 26.

**Christmas** — Open Dec. 20, closed Dec. 25 and Dec. 26.

**New Years** — Open Dec. 27, closed Jan. 1.

